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Applicant requests that the Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2000 submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on May 19, 2000 be entered prior to entering this Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new Claims 37 and 38:

-37. (New) A breakaway guardrail post for highway crash control systems comprising:

an upper post member having a weak impact axis and a strong impact axis;

a lower post member disposed beneath and spaced apart from said upper post member;

a connecting joint member having a first end and a second end, said first end of said joint connected at said first end by a first fastener to said upper post member and connected at said second end by a second fastener to said lower post member, said first fastener having a first failure strength less than a second failure strength of said second fastener. —

-38. (New) The post of Claim 37 wherein said first fastener further comprises: a first connector having a first failure strength, and a second connector having a second failure strength, said first failure strength greater than said second failure strength such that upon an impact force being applied along said weak impact axis, said second connector fails and said upper post rotates about said first connector. —